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of heavy-duty flatcars and depressed center flatcars made on 20 October 1953 indicated:

1. Four- and multi-axle flatcars:

Load Capacity (in tons)	Operational Cars		Non-Operational Cars			Total
	Total Available	of which Assigned to Trains	Total Available	Reserve Cars	Damaged Cars	
30 to 35	713		484	16	253	1197
36 to 39	131		83	1	82	214
40 to 44	206		74	-	74	280
45 to 49						
50 to 54	254		44	21	23	298
55 to 59						
60 to 64	8		1			9
65 to 69						
70 to 79						
80 to 89	276	68	320	25	67	1196
90 to 100	1		1	1		2
more than 100	1					1
Total:	2190	68¹	1006	292¹	714	3196²

2. Depressed center flatcars:

30 to 35	6	-	5	-	5	11
36 to 39	1	-	-	-	-	1
40 to 44	2	-	-	-	-	2

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45 to 49	1	-	1	-	1	2
50 to 54	4	-	-	-	-	4
55 to 59	1	-	-	-	-	1
60 to 64	1	-	-	-	-	1
65 to 69	-	-	-	-	-	-
70 to 79	-	-	1	-	1	1
80 to 89	3	-	-	-	-	3
90 to 100	1	-	2	-	2	3
more than 100	7	-	-	-	-	7
Total:	27	-	9	-	9	36 ³

- 25X1 1. [REDACTED] Comment. These cars are assigned to tank shuttle trains for the exclusive use by the Soviets. The trains are parked at various railroad stations [REDACTED]. As compared with September, the number of these cars decreased, probably because empty trains were dispatched to the USSR via Frankfurt/Oder. In late October, part of these cars carrying tanks and new rails were observed returning from the USSR via Frankfurt/Oder. 25X1
- 25X1 2. [REDACTED] Comment. In September, a total of 3,263 heavy-duty flatcars were recorded. The decrease of the number of these cars indicated in the present report probably results from the fact that a large number of cars was dispatched to the USSR for the shipment of tanks, heavy weapons and rails to East Germany. [REDACTED] 25X1
- 25X1 3. [REDACTED] Comment. In September a total of 50 depressed center flatcars was recorded. The fluctuating number of cars results from the fact that rolling stock operating outside East Germany on the day of count are not recorded.

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